

108TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 1283

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 18, 2003

Mr. GRAHAM of Florida introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF A DEPARTMENT**  
4 **OF VETERANS AFFAIRS CAPITAL ASSET RE-**  
5 **ALIGNMENT INITIATIVE.**

6 (a) REQUIREMENT FOR ADVANCE NOTIFICATION.—  
7 Before taking any action proposed under the Capital Asset

1 Realignment for Enhanced Services initiative of the De-  
2 partment of Veterans Affairs, the Secretary of Veterans  
3 Affairs shall submit to Congress a written notification of  
4 the intent to take such action.

5 (b) LIMITATION.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs  
6 may not take any proposed action described in subsection  
7 (a) until the later of—

8 (1) the expiration of the 60-day period begin-  
9 ning on the date on which the Secretary submits to  
10 Congress the notification of the proposed action re-  
11 quired under subsection (a); or

12 (2) the expiration of a period of 30 days of con-  
13 tinuous session of Congress beginning on such date  
14 of notification or, if either House of Congress is not  
15 in session on such date, the first day after such date  
16 that both Houses of Congress are in session.

17 (c) CONTINUOUS SESSION OF CONGRESS.—For the  
18 purposes of subsection (b)—

19 (1) the continuity of session of Congress is bro-  
20 ken only by an adjournment of Congress sine die;  
21 and

22 (2) the days on which either House is not in  
23 session because of an adjournment of more than  
24 three days to a day certain are excluded in the com-

- 1 putation of any period of time in which Congress is
- 2 in continuous session.

